

Community Living Office 1570 Grant Street Denver, CO 80203

TO: All Stakeholders

FROM: Nancy Fritchell, Senior Program Fiscal Performance Coordinator

DATE: December 9, 2015

SUBJECT: COMMUNICATION BRIEF

Room and Board Charge and Personal Needs Allowance Amounts

Effective January 1, 2016

Purpose:

Provide notification of Calendar Year 2016 monthly benefits for federal Social Security Income (SSI) and supplemental changes to allowable Room and Board and Personal Needs allowance amounts for individuals receiving services on the Home and Community Based Services for Persons with Developmental Disabilities (HCBS-DD) waiver.

Background:

Pursuant to 10 CCR 2505-10, Section 8.603.5.K, the maximum monthly amount charged to individuals receiving the Residential Habilitation services through the HCBS-DD waiver must not exceed an amount equal to the monthly benefit for SSI, less an amount specified by the Department for personal needs.

This year there is no Cost of Living Adjustment (COLA), so there will be no increase in SSI payment amounts in 2016. There will be no increase in Social Security benefits payable in January 2016, nor will there be an increase in SSI payments.

Information:

Effective January 1, 2016, the maximum SSI monthly payment an individual may receive will remain at \$733.00. The amount participants must receive for their Personal Needs allowance will remain at \$73.00 per month and the maximum amount a residential provider may charge a participant in HCBS-DD-Residential Habilitation for Room and Board is \$660.00 per month or \$21.69 per day. The amounts are calculated as follows:



Calendar Year 2016 Monthly SSI, Personal Needs and Room and Board Allowance	Monthly Maximum		Calendar Year 2016 Annual Maximum SSI, Personal Needs and Room and Board Allowance	Annual Maximum	
Monthly SSI	\$	733.00	Annual SSI	\$	8,796.00
Less Monthly Personal Needs Allowance	\$	(73.00)	Less Annual Personal Needs Allowance	\$	(876.00)
Monthly Room and Board Allowance	\$	660.00	Annual Room and Board Allowance	\$	7,920.00
			Daily Room and Board Allowance	\$	21.69

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